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TAGS: ETRD, EC, JA

SUBJECT: RESTRICTIONS ON TRADE IN CERAMIC TABLEWARE

1. INCREASED DUTIES WHICH WERE IMPOSED ON U.S. IMPORTS OF CERTAIN CERAMIC TABLEWARE FOLLOWING AN ESCAPE-CLAUSE INVESTIGATION BY THE U.S. INTERNATIONAL TRADE (TARIFF) COMMISSION (USITC) IN 1972 ARE SCHEDULED TO EXPIRE APRIL 30, 1976, UNLESS EXTENDED BY THE PRESIDENT. THE USITC IS UNCLASSIFIED

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CURRENTLY CONDUCTING AN INVESTIGATION UNDER SECTION 203(I)

OF THE TRADE ACT OF 1974 PREPARATORY TO ADVISING THE PRESIDENT AS TO THE PROBABLE ECONOMIC EFFECT ON THE U.S. INDUSTRY CONCERNED OF THE TERMINATION OF THE INCREASED RATES OF DUTY. THE TRADE ACT REQUIRES THE USITC TO REPORT TO THE PRESIDENT, AMONG OTHER THINGS, ON THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE U.S. MARKET IS THE FOCAL POINT FOR EXPORTS OF THE ARTICLES INVOLVED BY REASON OF RESTRAINTS ON EXPORTS OF SUCH ARTICLES TO, OR ON IMPORTS OF SUCH ARTICLES INTO, THIRD COUNTRY MARKETS.

2. JAPANESE STATISTICS FOR 1973-75 SHOW 46 PERCENT OF TOTAL JAPANESE EXPORTS OF CERAMIC TABLEWARE GOING TO THE UNITED STATES, 6 PERCENT TO THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY, 5 PERCENT TO CANADA, AND 43 PERCENT TO ALL OTHER COUNTRIES.

EXPORTS TO THE COMMUNITY ARE VERY UNEVENLY DISTRIBUTED, WITH FRANCE RECEIVING ONLY 7 PERCENT OF TOTAL SHIPMENTS TO THE EC.

3. USITC REQUESTS EMBASSY TOKYO TO PROVIDE ANY INFORMATION IT CAN OBTAIN ON RESTRICTIONS, IF ANY, WHICH ARE IMPOSED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN OR BY JAPANESE PRODUCERS OR TRADERS ON EXPORTS OF CERAMIC TABLEWARE TO ANY OF ANY MAJOR COUNTRIES (INCLUDING THE UNITED STATES). OTHER ADDRESSEES ARE REQUESTED TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ON ANY RESTECTIONS WHICH ARE IMPOSED BY HOST GOVERNMENTS ON IMPORTS OF CERAMIC TABLEWARE UNDER BTN HEADINGS 69.11 AND 69.12 (SITC CLASSIFICATIONS 666.4 AND 666.5).

4. INFORMATION IS NEEDED NOT LATER THAN FEBRUARY 13, 1976. KISSINGER

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